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TO : Chief, FBIS

FROM : Chief, German Bureau, FBIS

SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report -- December 1964

DATE: 8 January 1965

I. OPERATIONS

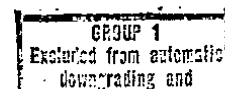
A. Editorial

1. The bureau reacted quickly to Washington's 3 December 00 request for filing of reaction to President Johnson's Georgetown University speech by 2200 GMT the same night. By 2147 GMT, three hours and 40 minutes after the request was received, five items, all monitored after 1700 GMT, had cleared the bureau. // *Handwritten initials*
2. Between 4 and 10 December, the bureau filed over 75,000 words of material from NEUES DEUTSCHLAND on the Seventh SED Central Committee plenum, 84 percent of which cleared the bureau within a day of its receipt in the paper.
3. Special FYI's initiated at the bureau during the month included reports on GDR treatment of Moscow's call for an editorial commission meeting in preparation for a conference of world communist and workers parties, GDR reportage on the Indian Communist Party congress which omitted criticism of the CPR voiced at the meeting, and GDR reaction to the U.N. General Assembly speech by Polish Foreign Minister Rapacki.

B. Technical

Wiring by the bureau technician of the teletype control rack to be used in conjunction with the new LBAC cabinets in the bureau wireroom was completed on 13 December. Subsequent local tests of both rack and cabinets yielded perfect results from the start. Arrangements were made for a two-man team of technicians from the Bonn Embassy to proceed with final installation the latter part of January.

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C. Liaison

As the holiday season approached, letters of thanks and appreciation were sent to those U.S. components and German contacts from whose cooperation and assistance the bureau benefitted during the past year.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Editor [] returned on 9 December from home leave and TDY in headquarters and at London Bureau. 50X1
2. [] Administrative Assistant/Secretary, on 6 December was promoted from FSL-5 to FSL-4, following reclassification of the bureau's secretarial position. 50X1
3. At the beginning of the month, Senior Editor [] was enrolled in German-language classes conducted by the U.S. Consulate in Frankfurt. 50X1

III. VISITS



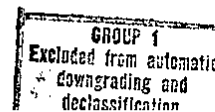
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Attachments:

1. Monthly Classified Personnel Report 50X1
2. Monthly Foreign Personnel Report
3. Semi-Annual Coverage Report
4. Operations Attachment

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Attachment # 4

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Operations Attachment

- A) Weekly hours of broadcasts monitored totaled 81.6.
- B) Additional, unscheduled monitoring during the month totaled 1.75 hours.
- C) The bureau filed a total of 238,440 words to headquarters, of which 35,990 was nonpublishable.
- D) Austrian Bureau outbound traffic totaling 367,560 words was relayed by the German Bureau.
- E) The bureau filed or relayed 266,310 words of FBIS material to 50X1
- F) Unauthorized outage on the Frankfurt-London direct line totaled 47 hours, 53 minutes. 50X1
- G) The WEEKLY REPORT ON THE EAST GERMAN PRESS total wordage was 92,000.
- H) As part of RPB's coding project for selected communist publications, 7 code cards were mailed to headquarters.

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